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## 距離空間における COHOMOLOGY 次元について

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### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARY

In the last ten years, cohomological dimension theory has striking development. A motivation of the development is surely the Edwards-Walsh theorem, [24], as follows:

**1.1. Theorem.** *Every compact metric space  $X$  of cohomological dimension  $c\text{-dim}_{\mathbb{Z}} X \leq n$  (integer coefficient) is the image of a cell-like map  $f: Z \rightarrow X$  from a compact metric space  $Z$  of  $\dim Z \leq n$ .*

Not only the result but also techniques of the proof gave an important influence to the development. After them, L. R. Rubin and P. J. Schapiro [22] showed the noncompact version of the Edwards-Walsh theorem and S. Mardešić and L. R. Rubin [17] gave the nonmetrizable version. On the other hand, A. N. Dranishnikov, [5] and [6], characterized cohomological dimension with respect to  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  by the Edwards-Walsh's way and showed the Edwards-Walsh-like theorem:

**1.2. Theorem.** *Every compact metric space  $X$  of cohomological dimension with respect to  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ ,  $c\text{-dim}_{\mathbb{Z}_p} X \leq n$ , is the image of a map  $f: Z \rightarrow X$  from a compact metric space  $Z$  of  $\dim Z \leq n$  whose fibers are acyclic modulo  $p$ .*

Motivated above results and Mardešić's characterization of  $c\text{-dim}_{\mathbb{Z}} X \leq n$ , we will show a characterization of  $c\text{-dim}_{\mathbb{Z}_p} X \leq n$  for noncompact case. Using the characterization, we will give the existence of an acyclic resolution modulo  $p$ . In fact, our characterization suggests a dimension-like function, called approximable dimension, and can obtain the following more general results.

**1.3. Theorem.** *Let  $X$  be a metrizable space having approximable dimension with respect to an arbitrary coefficients  $G \leq n$ . Then there exists a map  $f: Z \rightarrow X$  from a metrizable space  $Z$  of  $\dim Z \leq n$  and  $w(Z) \leq w(X)$  onto  $X$  such that  $H^*(f^{-1}(x); G) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ .*

As its consequence, we have noncompact versions of Theorems 1.1 and 1.2. We may call such a mapping  $f$  an acyclic resolution of  $X$  (with respect to  $G$ ), specially, in the

case of  $G = \mathbf{Z}_p$ , an acyclic resolution of  $X$  modulo  $p$ . Finally we will note that there exists a compact metric space  $X$  of  $c\text{-dim}_{\mathbf{Q}} X = 1$  which does not admit an acyclic resolution with respect to  $\mathbf{Q}$  [11,12]. Thereby we can see that approximable dimension is different from cohomological dimension and Theorem 1.3 is a good property obtained from approximable dimension.

In this paper, we mean the definition of cohomological dimension as follows: the *cohomological dimension of a space  $X$  with respect to a coefficient group  $G$  is less than and equal to  $n$* , denoted by  $c\text{-dim}_G X \leq n$ , provided that every map  $f: A \rightarrow K(G, n)$  of a closed subset  $A$  of  $X$  into an Eilenberg-MacLane space  $K(G, n)$  of type  $(G, n)$  admits a continuous extension over  $X$  (c.f. [10]). The dimension of a space  $X$  means the *covering dimension* of  $X$  and denotes by  $\dim X$ .  $\mathbf{Z}$  is the additive group of all integers and for each prime number  $p$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  is the cyclic group of order  $p$ .

By a polyhedron we mean the space  $|K|$  of a simplicial complex  $K$  with the *Whitehead topology*. In section 5, the topology of  $|K|$  may be generated by a uniformity [Appendix, 22].

If  $v$  is a vertex of a simplicial complex  $K$ , let  $\text{st}(v, K)$  be the open star of  $v$  in  $|K|$  and  $\bar{\text{st}}(v, K)$  be the closed star of  $v$  in  $|K|$ . If  $A \subseteq |K|$ , then we define  $\text{st}(A, K) = \bigcup \{\text{Int } \sigma : \sigma \in K, \sigma \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$  and  $\bar{\text{st}}(A, K) = \bigcup \{\sigma : \sigma \in K, \sigma \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$ . The symbol  $\text{Sd}_j K$  means the  $j$ -th barycentric subdivision of  $K$ . We define the symbols  $\mathcal{S}_i$  and  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_i$  for a simplicial complex  $K_i$  with an index to be the cover  $\{\text{st}(v, K_i) : v \in K_i^{(0)}\}$  and the cover  $\{\bar{\text{st}}(v, K_i) : v \in K_i^{(0)}\}$ , respectively.

We use the symbol  $\prec$  both to mean 'refine' for covers and 'subdivides' for subdivisions of a complex. The symbol  $\prec^*$  is used for star refines.

Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of a space  $X$ . Then for  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{st}(U, \mathcal{U}) &= \text{st}^1(U, \mathcal{U}) = \bigcup \{U' : U' \in \mathcal{U}, U' \cap U \neq \emptyset\}, \\ \text{st}^{j+1}(U, \mathcal{U}) &= \bigcup \{U' : U' \in \mathcal{U}, U' \cap \text{st}^j(U, \mathcal{U}) \neq \emptyset\}. \end{aligned}$$

By  $\text{st}^j(\mathcal{U})$  we mean the cover  $\{\text{st}^j(U, \mathcal{U}) : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$ . If  $f$  and  $g$  are maps from a space  $Z$  to a space  $X$ ,  $(f, g) \leq \mathcal{U}$  means that for each  $z \in Z$ , there exists  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $f(z), g(z) \in U$ . If  $X$  is a metric space with a metric  $d$ , we write  $(f, g) \leq \varepsilon$  instead of  $(f, g) \leq \mathcal{U}_\varepsilon$ , where  $\mathcal{U}_\varepsilon$  is the cover whose consists of all  $\varepsilon/2$ -neighborhoods in  $X$ . By the symbol  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{U})$  we mean the nerve of the cover  $\mathcal{U}$ . For covers  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}$ , the symbol  $\mathcal{U} \wedge \mathcal{V}$  is used for the following cover  $\{U \cap V, U, V : U \in \mathcal{U}, V \in \mathcal{V}\}$ .

## 2. EDWARDS-WALSH COMPLEXES

In the latter section, we need Edwards-Walsh complexes for arbitrary simplicial complexes.

**2.1. Lemma.** *Let  $|L|$  be a simplicial complex with the Whitehead topology,  $p$  be a prime number and  $n$  be a natural number. Then there exists a combinatorial map (i.e.*

$\pi_L^{-1}(L')$  is a subcomplex of  $\text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  if  $L'$  is a subcomplex of  $L$   $\psi_L: \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n) \rightarrow |L|$  such that

- (i) for  $\sigma \in L$  with  $\dim \sigma \geq n+1$ ,  $\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma) \in K(\oplus_1^{r_\sigma} \mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ , where  $r_\sigma = \text{rank } \pi_n(\sigma^{(n)})$ ,
- (ii) for  $\sigma \in L$  with  $\dim \sigma \leq n$ ,  $\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma) = \sigma$ ,
- (iii)  $\text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  is a CW-complex,
- (iv)  $\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma)$  is a subcomplex of  $\text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  with respect to the triangulation in (3),
- (v)  $\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma)^{(k)}$  is a finite CW-complex for  $k \geq n$ ,
- (vi) for any subcomplex  $L'$  of  $L$  and map  $f: |L'| \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ , there exists an extension of  $f \circ \psi_L|_{\psi_L^{-1}(|L'|)}$ .

*Sketch of Proof.* We give its proof by using Edwards-Walsh's modification by Dranishnikov [6]. By the induction on  $\dim L$ ,  $\psi_L$  is constructed to satisfy the following:

- (1)  $\psi_L^{-1}(L^{(n)}) = L^{(n)}$  is a subcomplex of  $\text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  and  $\psi_L|_{|L^{(n)}|} = \text{id}_{|L^{(n)}|}$ .

Let  $\sigma$  be a simplex of  $L$  with  $\dim \sigma = n+1$ . Let  $K(\sigma)$  be an Eilenberg-MacLane space of type  $(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  obtained from  $\partial\sigma$  by attaching an  $(n+1)$ -cell by a map of degree  $p$ . Hence

- (2)  $K(\sigma)^{(n)} = \partial\sigma$  and  $K(\sigma)^{(n+1)} = \partial\sigma \cup_\alpha B^{n+1}$ , where  $\alpha: \partial B^{n+1} \rightarrow \partial\sigma$  is a map of degree  $p$ .

If  $\dim \sigma \geq n+2$  and  $n \geq 2$ , then  $K(\sigma) = K_1(\sigma) \cup K_2(\sigma) \cup \dots$  such that

- (3)  $K_1(\sigma) = \bigcup_{\tau \not\leq \sigma} K(\tau)$ , where the union is taken over all proper faces  $\tau$  of  $\sigma$ ,
- (4) for  $i = 2, 3, \dots$ ,  $K_i(\sigma)$  is obtained from  $K_{i-1}(\sigma)$  by attaching to  $K_{i-1}(\sigma)^{(n+i-1)}$  a finite collection of  $(n+i)$ -cells killing the  $(n+i-1)$ -th homotopy group.

If  $\dim \sigma \geq n+2$  and  $n = 1$ , then  $K(\sigma) = K_1(\sigma) \cup K_2(\sigma) \cup \dots$  such that

- (5)  $K_1(\sigma)$  is obtained from  $\bigcup_{\tau \not\leq \sigma} K(\tau)$ , by attaching finite collection of 2-cells abelizing the fundamental group,
- (6) for  $i = 2, 3, \dots$ ,  $K_i(\sigma)$  is obtained from  $K_{i-1}(\sigma)$  by attaching to  $K_{i-1}(\sigma)^{(n+i-1)}$  a finite collection of  $(n+i)$ -cells killing the  $(n+i-1)$ -th homotopy group.

Then we construct as

- (7)  $\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma)$  is the mapping cylinder  $M_\sigma$  of the embedding  $j_\sigma: \psi_L^{-1}(\partial\sigma) \hookrightarrow K(\sigma)$ ,
- (8)  $\psi_L|_{M_\sigma}$  is the cone of  $\psi_L|_{\psi_L^{-1}(\partial\sigma)}$  such that  $\psi_L(K(\sigma))$  is the barycentre of  $\sigma$ .

Hence for each simplex  $\sigma$  of  $\dim \sigma \geq n+1$ , we have the property:

- (9) if  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma)^{(n+1)} = \sigma^{(n)} \times [0, 1] \cup_{\alpha_1} B^{n+1} \cup_{\alpha_2} \dots \cup_{\alpha_{r_\sigma}} B^{n+1},$$

where for each  $(n+1)$ -dimensional face  $\tau_i$  of  $\sigma$ ,  $\alpha_i: \partial B^{n+1} \rightarrow \partial\tau_i \times \{1\}$  is a map of degree  $p$ ,

(10) if  $n = 1$ ,

$$\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma)^{(2)} = \sigma^{(1)} \times [0, 1] \cup_{\alpha_1} B^2 \cup_{\alpha_2} \cdots \cup_{\alpha_{r_\sigma}} B^2 \cup_{\beta_1} B^2 \cup_{\beta_2} \cdots \cup_{\beta_{k_\sigma}} B^2,$$

where for each 2-dimensional face  $\tau_i$  of  $\sigma$ ,  $\alpha_i: \partial B^2 \rightarrow \partial \tau_i \times \{1\}$  is a map of degree  $p$  and the collection  $\{[\beta_1], \dots, [\beta_{k_\sigma}]\}$  generates the commutator subgroup of  $\pi_1(\sigma^{(1)} \times [0, 1] \cup_{\alpha_1} B^2 \cup_{\alpha_2} \cdots \cup_{\alpha_{r_\sigma}} B^2)$ .  $\square$

### 3. CHARACTERIZATIONS FOR METRIZABLE SPACES

Let us establish definitions. Let  $K$  be a simplicial complex and  $f, g: X \rightarrow |K|$  be maps. We say that  $g$  is a  $K$ -modification of  $f$  if for each  $x \in X$  and  $\sigma \in K$ ,  $f(x) \in \sigma$  implies  $g(x) \in \sigma$ . Let  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $X$ . Then a map  $b: X \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{U})|$  is called  $\mathcal{U}$ -normal map if  $b^{-1}(\text{st}(U, \mathcal{U})) = U$  for each  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $b$  is essential on each simplex of  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{U})$  (i.e.  $b|_{b^{-1}(\sigma)}: b^{-1}(\sigma) \rightarrow \sigma$  is a essential map for each  $\sigma \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{U})$ ). Note that if  $\mathcal{U}$  is a locally finite, then  $\mathcal{U}$ -normal map exists.

**3.1. Definition.** Let  $Q, P$  be polyhedra,  $G$  be an abelian group,  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $P$  and  $n$  be a natural number. We say that a map  $\psi: Q \rightarrow P$  is  $(G, n, \mathcal{U})$ -approximable if there exists a triangulation  $L$  of  $P$  such that for any triangulation  $M$  of  $Q$  there is a PL-map  $\psi': |M^{(n)}| \rightarrow |L^{(n)}|$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $(\psi', \psi|_{|M^{(n)}|}) \leq \mathcal{U}$ ,
- (ii) for any map  $\alpha: |L^{(n)}| \rightarrow K(G, n)$ , there exists an extension  $\beta: |M^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(G, n)$  of  $\alpha \circ \psi'$ .

**3.2. Definition.** Let  $G$  be an abelian group and  $n$  be a natural number. A map  $f: X \rightarrow P$  of a metrizable space  $X$  to a polyhedron  $P$  is called  $(G, n)$ -cohomological if for any open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $P$  there exist a polyhedron  $Q$  and maps  $\varphi: X \rightarrow Q$ ,  $\psi: Q \rightarrow P$  such that

- (i)  $(\psi \circ \varphi, f) \leq \mathcal{U}$ ,
- (ii)  $\psi$  is  $(G, n, \mathcal{U})$ -approximable.

**3.3. Theorem.** Let  $X$  be a metrizable space,  $p$  be a prime number and  $n$  be a natural number. Then  $X$  has cohomological dimension with respect to  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  of less than and equal to  $n$  if and only if every map  $f$  of  $X$  to a polyhedron  $P$  is  $(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ -cohomological.

*Proof of necessity.* Suppose that  $c\text{-dim}_{\mathbf{Z}_p} X \leq n$ . Let  $f: X \rightarrow P$  be a map of  $X$  to a polyhedron  $P$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  be an open cover of  $P$ . Then take a star refinement  $\mathcal{U}_0$  of  $\mathcal{U}$ .

First, we show that there exist a simplicial complex  $K$  and maps  $\varphi: X \rightarrow |K|$ ,  $\psi: |K| \rightarrow P$  such that

- (1) if  $\sigma \in K$ , there exists  $U \in \mathcal{U}_0$  with  $\psi(\sigma) \subseteq U$ ,

- (2) for each  $x \in X$  if  $\varphi(x) \in \text{Int } \sigma$ ,  $\sigma \in K$ , there exists  $U \in \mathcal{U}_0$  with  $\psi(\sigma) \cup \{f(x)\} \subseteq U$ ,
- (3) there exist a triangulation  $L$  of  $P$  and a PL-map  $\psi': |K^{(n)}| \rightarrow |L^{(n)}|$  such that
- (i)  $(\psi', \psi|_{|K^{(n)}|}) \leq \mathcal{U}_0$
  - (ii) for any map  $\alpha: |L^{(n)}| \rightarrow K(G, n)$  there is an extension  $\beta: |K^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(G, n)$  of  $\alpha \circ \psi'$ .

By J. H. C. Whitehead's theorem [25], take a triangulation  $L$  of  $P$  such that

- (4)  $\text{st} \{ \bar{\text{st}}(v, L) : v \in L^{(0)} \} \prec \mathcal{U}_0$ .

We will construct a map  $c: X \rightarrow \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  such that

- (5)  $c|_{f^{-1}(|L^{(n)}|)} = f|_{f^{-1}(|L^{(n)}|)}$ ,
- (6)  $c(f^{-1}(\sigma)) \subseteq \psi_L^{-1}(\sigma)$  for  $\sigma \in L$ , where  $\psi_L: \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n) \rightarrow L$  is the map constructed in Lemma 2.1.

We define the map  $c_n \equiv f|_{f^{-1}(|L^{(n)}|)}: f^{-1}(|L^{(n)}|) \rightarrow |L^{(n)}| \subseteq \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$ . Inductively, suppose that for  $n \leq k$  we have defined the function  $c_k: f^{-1}(|L^{(k)}|) \rightarrow \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  such that  $c_k|_{f^{-1}(\sigma)}: f^{-1}(\sigma) \rightarrow \psi_L^{-1}(\sigma) \subseteq \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  is continuous and  $c_k|_{f^{-1}(\sigma)} = c_k|_{f^{-1}(\tau)}$  on  $f^{-1}(\sigma) \cap f^{-1}(\tau)$  for  $\sigma, \tau \in L^{(k)}$ . Now, let  $\sigma \in L$  with  $\dim \sigma = k + 1$ . By the construction of  $c_k$  and  $\text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$ ,  $c_k|_{f^{-1}(\partial \sigma)}: \partial \sigma \rightarrow \psi_L^{-1}(\sigma)$  is continuous. Hence by  $c\text{-dim}_{\mathbf{Z}_p} f^{-1}(\sigma) \leq c\text{-dim}_{\mathbf{Z}_p} X \leq n$  and (i) in Lemma 2.1, we have a continuous extension  $c_\sigma: f^{-1}(\sigma) \rightarrow \psi_L^{-1}(\sigma)$  of  $c_k|_{f^{-1}(\partial \sigma)}$ . Define  $c_{k+1}$  to be  $c_\sigma$  on  $f^{-1}(\sigma)$  for  $\sigma \in L$  with  $\dim \sigma = k + 1$ . Finally, we define  $c$  to be  $\bigcup_{k=n}^{\infty} c_k$ . Then since  $X$  is compactly generated, the function  $c$  is continuous.

We define an open cover  $\mathcal{B} = \{B_\sigma : \sigma \in L\}$  in the following way:

$$B_\sigma \equiv \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n) \setminus \bigcup \{ \psi_L^{-1}(\tau) : \sigma \cap \tau = \emptyset \}.$$

Then note that we have

- (7)  $\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma) \subseteq B_\sigma$
- (8) if  $x \in B_\sigma$  and  $x \in \psi_L^{-1}(\tau)$ ,  $\sigma \cap \tau \neq \emptyset$ .

Since  $\text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  is  $\text{LC}^n$ , for a star refinement  $\mathcal{B}_1$  of  $\mathcal{B}$ , there exists an open refinement  $\mathcal{B}_2$  of  $\mathcal{B}_1$  such that if  $K$  is a simplicial complex of  $\dim K \leq n + 1$ , then every partial realization of  $K$  in  $\text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  relative to  $\mathcal{B}_2$  extended to a full realization relative to  $\mathcal{B}_1$  [2]. Select a star refinement  $\mathcal{B}_3$  of  $\mathcal{B}_2$ .

Then by [21, Lemma 9.6], there exist an open cover  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $X$  refining  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{U}_0) \wedge c^{-1}(\mathcal{B}_3)$  and maps  $\varphi: X \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})|$ ,  $\psi: |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})| \rightarrow P$  such that

- (9)  $\varphi$  is  $\mathcal{V}$ -normal,
- (10)  $\psi \circ \varphi$  is  $L$ -modification of  $f$ ,
- (11) if  $\sigma \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})$ , there exists  $U \in \mathcal{U}_0$  with  $f(\varphi^{-1}(\sigma)) \cup \psi(\sigma) \subseteq U$ .

Then these  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})$ ,  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  satisfy the conditions (1)-(3).

It is easily seen that (11) implies (1) and (2). It remain to prove that (3) holds.

We shall construct a map  $\psi_0: |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  in the following way: note that if  $\langle U \rangle \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n+1)}$ , there exists  $B_U \in \mathcal{B}_3$  with  $U \subseteq c^{-1}(B_U)$ .  $\psi_0$  on  $|\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(0)}|$  is defined by an element  $\psi_0(\langle U \rangle) \in B_U$  for each  $\langle U \rangle \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(0)}$ . Let  $\langle U_0, \dots, U_m \rangle \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n+1)}$ . Then by  $\emptyset \neq U_0 \cap \dots \cap U_m \subseteq c^{-1}(B_{U_0}) \cap \dots \cap c^{-1}(B_{U_m})$ , we have

$$\psi_0(\{\langle U_0 \rangle, \dots, \langle U_m \rangle\}) \subseteq \text{st}(B_{U_0}, \mathcal{B}_3) \subseteq B \text{ for some } B \in \mathcal{B}_2.$$

It show that  $\psi_0$  is a partial realization of  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n+1)}$  in  $\text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)$  relative to  $\mathcal{B}_2$ . Therefore, by the construction of  $\mathcal{B}_2$ , we may define  $\psi_0$  to be a *full realization relative to  $\mathcal{B}_1$* . Then by the same way in [21, p245 (8)] we can show that

$$(12) \text{ if } t \in |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n+1)}| \text{ with } \psi(t) \in \text{Int } \delta \text{ and } \psi_0(t) \in \psi_L^{-1}(\tau) \text{ for } \delta, \tau \in L, \text{ then there exist } \sigma, \lambda \in L \text{ such that } \delta \prec \sigma \text{ and } \sigma \cap \lambda \neq \emptyset \neq \lambda \cap \tau.$$

Now, by the property (v) in Lemma 2.1, we can choose

$$(13) \text{ a cellular map } \psi_1: |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)^{(n+1)} \text{ such that for each } t \in |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n+1)}|, \text{ if } \psi_0(t) \in \psi_L^{-1}(\tau), \text{ then } \psi_1(t) \in \psi_L^{-1}(\tau)^{(n+1)}.$$

By the simplicial approximation theorem, we assume that  $\psi_1$  is PL.

If  $n \geq 2$ , by the properties (9) and (1) in Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)^{(n+1)} = |L^{(n)}| \cup \bigcup \{ \partial\sigma \times [0, 1] \cup_{\alpha_\sigma} B_\sigma^{n+1} : \sigma \in L, \dim \sigma = n+1 \},$$

where  $\alpha_\sigma: \partial B_\sigma^{n+1} \rightarrow \partial\sigma$  is a map of degree  $p$ . For each  $(n+1)$ -simplex  $\sigma$  of  $L$ , choose a point  $z_\sigma \in B_\sigma^{n+1} \setminus \partial B_\sigma^{n+1}$ , and take the retraction

$$r: \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)^{(n+1)} \setminus \{z_\sigma : \sigma \in L, \dim \sigma = n+1\} \rightarrow |L^{(n)}|$$

induced by the compositions of the radial projection of  $B_\sigma^{n+1} \setminus \{z_\sigma\}$  onto  $\partial\sigma \times \{1\}$  and the natural projection of  $\partial\sigma \times [0, 1]$  onto  $\partial\sigma \times \{0\} \subseteq |L^{(n)}|$ .

If  $n = 1$ , for every simplex  $\sigma$  of  $\dim \sigma \geq 2$ ,  $\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma^{(2)})$  may be represented as the form (10) in Lemma 2.1:

$$\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma)^{(2)} = \sigma^{(1)} \times [0, 1] \cup_{\alpha_1} B^2 \cup_{\alpha_2} \dots \cup_{\alpha_{r_\sigma}} B^2 \cup_{\beta_1} B^2 \cup_{\beta_2} \dots \cup_{\beta_{k_\sigma}} B^2.$$

Then choose points  $u_1^\sigma, \dots, u_{r_\sigma}^\sigma, v_1^\sigma, \dots, v_{k_\sigma}^\sigma$  of  $\psi_L^{-1}(\sigma^{(1)})^{(2)} \setminus \sigma^{(1)} \times [0, 1]$  for each  $B^2$  and the retraction  $r: \text{EW}_{\mathbf{Z}_p}(L, n)^{(2)} \setminus \{u_1^\sigma, \dots, u_{r_\sigma}^\sigma, v_1^\sigma, \dots, v_{k_\sigma}^\sigma : \sigma \in L, \dim \sigma \geq 2\} \rightarrow |L^{(1)}|$  induced by the compositions of the radial projections of  $B^2 \setminus \{u_i^\sigma\}$  or  $B^2 \setminus \{v_j^\sigma\}$  onto  $S^1$  and the natural projection of  $\sigma^{(1)} \times [0, 1]$  onto  $\sigma^{(1)} \times \{0\} \subseteq |L^{(1)}|$ .

In both cases, we put

$$\psi' \equiv r \circ \psi_1|_{|\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n)}|}: |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n)}| \rightarrow |L^{(n)}|.$$

Then the map  $\psi'$  holds the conditions (i),(ii). First, we show the condition (i). Let  $t \in |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(n)}|$ . By (12), there exist  $\sigma, \lambda, \tau \in L$  such that  $\sigma \cap \lambda \neq \emptyset \neq \lambda \cap \tau$  and  $\psi(t) \in \sigma$ ,  $\psi_0(t) \in \psi_L^{-1}(\tau)$ . Then since  $\psi_1(t)$  is an element of  $\psi_L^{-1}(\tau)^{(n)}$ , we have  $\psi'(t) \in \tau$ . Hence, we have  $\psi(t), \psi'(t) \in \text{st}(\lambda, L) \subseteq U$  for some  $U \in \mathcal{U}_0$  (see (4)). Next, we must show the condition (ii). But, it is easy to show that. Hence, we omitted it here.

Now, we shall show that  $f$  is  $(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ -cohomological. By (2), we can easily see that  $(\psi \circ \varphi, f) \leq \mathcal{U}$ . So, we show that  $\psi$  is  $(\mathbf{Z}_p, n, \mathcal{U})$ -approximable.

Let  $M$  be a triangulation of  $|K|$ . Note that for a simplicial approximation  $j$  of  $\text{id}_{|M|}: |M| = |K| \rightarrow |K|$  with respect to  $K$ , we have that

$$j(|M^{(n+1)}|) \subseteq |K^{(n+1)}| \text{ and } j(|M^{(n)}|) \subseteq |K^{(n)}|.$$

Then by (1) and (3), we can easily see that the map

$$\psi'' \equiv \psi' \circ j: |M^{(n)}| \rightarrow |L^{(n)}|$$

holds the conditions.  $\square$

The reverse implication is proved by the standard way [21]. First, we need some notations.

We may assume that the Eilenberg-MacLane space  $K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  is a metrizable, locally compact separable space. Then by the Kuratowski-Wojdyslawski's theorem, we can consider that  $K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  is a closed subset of a convex subset  $C$  of a normed linear space  $E$ . Note that  $C$  is AR(metrizable spaces). Since  $K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  is ANR, there exist a closed neighborhood  $F$  in  $C$  and a retraction  $r: F \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ . Further, we can choose an open cover  $\mathcal{W}_0$  of  $\text{Int}_C F$  such that

- (1) for any space  $Z$  and any maps  $\alpha, \beta: Z \rightarrow F$  with  $(\alpha, \beta) \leq \mathcal{W}_0$ , the maps  $r \circ \alpha, r \circ \beta: Z \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  are homotopic in  $K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ .

Then we take an open, *convex* cover  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $C$  such that

- (2) if  $W \in \mathcal{W}$  with  $W \cap K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n) \neq \emptyset$ , there exists  $U \in \mathcal{W}_0$  with  $\text{st}(W, \mathcal{W}) \subseteq U$ .

Select a star refinement  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $\mathcal{W}$ .

Let  $h_0: C \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})|$  be a Kuratowski's map with respect to  $\mathcal{V}$  and define a map  $h_1: |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})| \rightarrow C$  in the following way: a map  $h_1$  on  $|\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(0)}|$  is defined by an element  $h_1(\langle V \rangle) \in V$  for each  $\langle V \rangle \in |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})^{(0)}|$ . Next, by using the convexity of  $C$ , we extend  $h_1$  *linearly* on each simplex  $|\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})|$ . Let  $\sigma = \langle V_0, \dots, V_m \rangle \in |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})|$ . Then by  $V_0 \cap \dots \cap V_m \neq \emptyset$ ,

$$h_1(\{\langle V_0 \rangle, \dots, \langle V_m \rangle\}) \subseteq \text{st}(V_0, \mathcal{V}) \subseteq W_\sigma \text{ for some } W_\sigma \in \mathcal{W}.$$

Thus, by the construction of  $h_1$ , we have  $h_1(\sigma) \subseteq W_\sigma$ .



Let  $\mathcal{N}_1$  be a subcomplex  $\mathcal{N}(\{V \in \mathcal{V} : V \cap K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n) \neq \emptyset\})$  of  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}_0$  be a simplicial neighborhood of  $\mathcal{N}_1$  in  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})$  such that if  $\langle V_0 \rangle \in \mathcal{N}_0$ , there exists  $\langle V_1 \rangle \in \mathcal{N}_1$  with  $V_0 \cap V_1 \neq \emptyset$ . Then we can easily see the followings:

- (3) for each  $x \in K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ , there exists  $W \in \mathcal{W}$  with  $x, h_1 \circ h_0(x) \in W$ ,
- (4)  $h_1(|\mathcal{N}_0|) \subseteq \text{st}(K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n), \mathcal{W}) \subseteq F$ ,
- (5)  $h_0(K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)) \subseteq |\mathcal{N}_1| \subseteq |\mathcal{N}_0|$ .

*Proof of sufficiency.* Let  $A$  be a closed subset of  $X$  and  $h: A \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  be a map. We consider the above-mentioned nerve  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})$  and maps  $h_0, h_1$ . We take an open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $|\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})|$  such that

- (6)  $\text{st}^3(|\mathcal{N}_1|, \mathcal{U}) \subseteq |\mathcal{N}_0|$ ,
- (7)  $\text{st}^3(\mathcal{U}) \prec h_1^{-1}(\mathcal{W})$ ,

and choose a subdivision  $\mathcal{N}$  of  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})$  such that if  $\sigma \in \mathcal{N}$  there exists  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $\sigma \subseteq U$ .

Since  $C$  is AE, there is an extension  $H: X \rightarrow C$  of  $h$ . Then by the assumption, the map  $h_0 \circ H: X \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})|$  is  $(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ -cohomological. Hence, there exist a polyhedron  $Q$  and maps  $\varphi: X \rightarrow Q$ ,  $\psi: Q \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V})|$  such that

- (8)  $(\psi \circ \varphi, h_0 \circ H) \leq \mathcal{U}$ ,
- (9)  $\psi$  is  $(\mathbf{Z}_p, n, \mathcal{U})$ -approximable.

By using the simplicial approximation theorem, we obtain a triangulation  $M$  of  $Q$  and a simplicial approximation  $\psi^*: M \rightarrow \mathcal{N}$  of  $\psi$ . Then by (8),(9), we have

- (10)  $(\psi^* \circ \varphi, h_0 \circ H) \leq \text{st } \mathcal{U}$ ,
- (11)  $\psi^*$  is  $(\mathbf{Z}_p, n, \text{st } \mathcal{U})$ -approximable.

Now, by (11) with respect to  $M$ , there exist a triangulation  $L$  and a PL-map  $\psi': |M^{(n)}| \rightarrow |L^{(n)}|$  such that

- (12)  $(\psi', \psi^*|_{|M^{(n)}|}) \leq \text{st } \mathcal{U}$ ,
- (13) for any map  $\alpha: |L^{(n)}| \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ , there exists an extension  $\beta: |M^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  of  $\alpha \circ \psi'$ .

**Claim.** There exists a map  $\xi: Q \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  such that  $\xi|_{\psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|)} = r \circ h_1 \circ \psi^*|_{\psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|)}$

*Construction of  $\xi$ .* First, we shall see that

- (14) for each  $x \in D \equiv \psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|) \cap |M^{(n)}|$ , there exists  $U \in \mathcal{W}_0$  such that  $h_1 \circ \psi^*(x), h_1 \circ \psi'(x) \in U$ .

By (12), there exist  $U_1, U_2, U_3 \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $U_1 \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset \neq U_2 \cap U_3$  and  $\psi^*(x) \in U_1$ ,  $\psi'(x) \in U_3$ . Then by (7), we have  $W \in \mathcal{W}$  with  $h_1(U_1 \cup U_2 \cap U_3) \subseteq W$ . Since  $\psi^*(x) \in |\mathcal{N}_0|$ , by (4), there exists  $W' \in \mathcal{W}$  such that  $h_1 \circ \psi^*(x) \in W$  and  $W' \cap K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n) \neq \emptyset$ . Hence by (2), we obtain  $U \in \mathcal{W}_0$  such that  $h_1 \circ \psi^*(x), h_1 \circ \psi'(x) \in \text{st}(W', \mathcal{W}) \subseteq U$ .

Therefore by (14) and (1), we see the followings:

- (15)  $h_1 \circ \psi'(D) \subseteq F$ ,

$$(16) \quad r \circ h_1 \circ \psi^*|_D \simeq r \circ h_1 \circ \psi'|_D \text{ in } K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n).$$

Since  $D$  is a subpolyhedron of  $|M^{(n)}|$  and  $\psi'$  is PL,  $\psi'(D)$  is subpolyhedron of  $|L^{(n)}|$ . Hence, from  $\pi_q(K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)) = 0$  for  $q < n$  (if  $n = 1$ , the path-connectedness of  $K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ ), there exists an extension

$$\alpha: |L^{(n)}| \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$$

of  $r \circ h_1|_{\psi'(D)}: \psi'(D) \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$ .

Then by (13), we have an extension

$$\beta: |M^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$$

of  $\alpha \circ \psi'$ .

Now, put

$$R \equiv |M^{(n+1)}| \setminus \bigcup \{ \text{Int } \sigma : \sigma \in M, \dim \sigma = n+1, \sigma \subseteq \psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|) \}.$$

Then since for each  $x \in D \subseteq R$  we have  $\beta(x) = \alpha \circ \psi'(x) = r \circ h_1 \circ \psi'(x)$ ,

$$(17) \quad \beta|_D \simeq r \circ h_1 \circ \psi'(x)|_D \simeq r \circ h_1 \circ \psi^*|_D \quad \text{in } K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n).$$

By the homotopy extension theorem, there exists an extension  $\xi_R: R \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  of  $r \circ h_1 \circ \psi^*|_D$ .

Since for  $\sigma \in M$  with  $\dim \sigma = n+1$  and  $\sigma \subseteq \psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|)$ , we have  $\xi_R|_{\partial \sigma} = r \circ h_1 \circ \psi^*|_{\partial \sigma}$ , there exists an extension  $\xi_{n+1}: |M^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  of  $\xi_R$  such that  $\xi_{n+1}|_{\psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|) \cap |M^{(n+1)}|} = r \circ h_1 \circ \psi^*|_{\psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|) \cap |M^{(n+1)}|}$ .

Hence, we can define a map  $\xi': \psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|) \cup |M^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  by the following:

$$\xi' \equiv (r \circ h_1 \circ \psi^*|_{\psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|)}) \cup \xi_{n+1}.$$

Therefore from  $\pi_q(K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)) = 0$  for  $q > n$ , we obtain an extension  $\xi: Q \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)$  of  $\xi'$  such that  $\xi|_{\psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|)} = r \circ h_1 \circ \psi^*|_{\psi^{*-1}(|\mathcal{N}_0|)}$ . It completes the construction.

Now, we put

$$h' \equiv \xi \circ \varphi: X \rightarrow K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n).$$

Then to complete the proof it suffices to prove

$$(18) \quad h'|_A \simeq h \text{ in } K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n).$$

First, we shall see that

$$\psi^* \circ \varphi(A) \subseteq |\mathcal{N}_0|.$$

Let  $a \in A$ . By (10), there exist  $U_1, U_2, U_3 \in \mathcal{U}$  such that

$$(19) \quad U_1 \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset \neq U_2 \cap U_3 \text{ and } \psi^* \circ \varphi(a) \in U_1, h_0 \circ H(a) \in U_3.$$

Then since  $h_0 \circ H(a) = h_0 \circ h(a) \in h_0(K(\mathbb{Z}_p, n)) \subseteq |\mathcal{N}_1|$ , we have  $\psi^* \circ \varphi(a) \in |\mathcal{N}_0|$  by (6).

Hence, by Claim, we have for each  $a \in A$   $h'(a) = \xi \circ \varphi(a) = r \circ h_1 \circ \psi^* \circ \varphi(a)$ . Therefore, by (1), it suffices to see that

(20) there exists  $U \in \mathcal{W}_0$  such that  $h_1 \circ \psi^* \circ \varphi(a), h(a) \in U$ .

Let  $U_1, U_2, U_3 \in \mathcal{U}$  with the property (19). By (7), there exists  $W \in \mathcal{W}$  such that  $U_1 \cup U_2 \cup U_3 \subseteq h_1^{-1}(W)$ . By (3) we choose  $W' \in \mathcal{W}$  such that  $h(a), h_1 \circ h_0 \circ h(a) \in W'$ . Therefore, since  $h(a) \in K(\mathbb{Z}_p, n)$ , there exists  $U \in \mathcal{W}_0$  such that

$$h_1 \circ \psi^* \circ \varphi(a), h(a) \in \text{st}(W', \mathcal{W}) \subseteq U.$$

It completes the proof.  $\square$

#### 4. APPROXIMABLE DIMENSION

**4.1. Definition.** A space  $X$  has *approximable dimension with respect to a coefficient group  $G$  of less than and equal to  $n$*  (abbreviated,  $a\text{-dim}_G X \leq n$ ) provided that for every polyhedron  $P$ , map  $f: X \rightarrow P$  and open cover  $\mathcal{U}$ , there exist a polyhedron  $Q$  and maps  $\varphi: X \rightarrow Q$ ,  $\psi: Q \rightarrow P$  such that

- (i)  $(\psi \circ \varphi, f) \leq \mathcal{U}$ ,
- (ii)  $\psi$  is  $(G, n, \mathcal{U})$ -approximable.

First, we state fundamental inequalities of  $a\text{-dim}_G$ .

**4.2. Theorem.** For a metrizable space  $X$  and an arbitrary abelian group  $G$ , we hold the following inequalities:

$$c\text{-dim}_G X \leq a\text{-dim}_G X \leq \dim X.$$

*Proof.* The second inequality is trivial. We can see the first inequality by the strategy similar to the proof of the sufficiency in Theorem 3.3.  $\square$

As we will show in latter sections, our approach of  $a\text{-dim}_G$  gives useful applications. In general,  $a\text{-dim}_G$  is different from  $c\text{-dim}_G$ . However, in special cases of coefficient group  $G$ ,  $a\text{-dim}_G$  coincides with  $c\text{-dim}_G$ .

**4.3. Theorem.** If  $G = \mathbb{Z}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , where  $p$  is a prime number, for every metrizable space  $X$ , we have

$$a\text{-dim}_G X = c\text{-dim}_G X.$$

*Proof.* From Theorem 3.3, 4.2, we see the fact.  $\square$

## 5. RESOLUTIONS FOR METRIZABLE SPACES

By a polyhedron we mean the space  $|K|$  of a simplicial complex  $K$  with the *Whitehead topology* (denoted by  $|K|_w$ ). We may define a topology for  $|K|$  by means of a uniformity in [Appendix, 22] (denoted by  $|K|_u$ ).

**5.1. Theorem.** *Let  $X$  be a metrizable space having approximable dimension with respect to an abelian group  $G$  of less than and equal to  $n$ . Then there exist an  $n$ -dimensional metrizable space  $Z$  and a perfect  $UV^{n-1}$ -surjection  $\pi: Z \rightarrow X$  such that for  $x \in X$ , the set  $[\pi^{-1}(x), K(G, n)]$  of homotopy classes is trivial.*

*Proof.* The strategy is like the construction of Walsh-Rubin [24, 22].

Let  $d$  be a metric for  $X$  and let  $\{\mathcal{U}_i : i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}\}$  be a sequence of open covers of  $X$  where each  $\mathcal{U}_i$  consists of all  $1/(i+1)$ -neighborhoods.

First, we shall construct the followings:

open covers  $\mathcal{V}_i$  of  $X$  whose nerves  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_i)$  are locally finite dimensional, maps  $b_i: X \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_i)|$  for  $i \geq 0$ ,  $f_i^*, f_i: |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_i)| \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_{i-1})|$  for  $i \geq 1$  and sequences  $\mathcal{N}_i^j, j \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  of subdivisions of  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_i)$  for  $i \geq 0$  such that

- (1)  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_i^{j+1} \prec^* \mathcal{S}_i^j$  for  $j \geq 0$ ,
- (2)  $b_i$  is normal with respect to  $b_i^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_i^j)$  and  $\mathcal{N}_i^j$  for  $j \geq 0$ ,
- (3)  $f_i: \mathcal{N}_i^0 \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_{i-1}^3$  is simplicial for  $i \geq 1$ ,
- (4)  $f_i \circ b_i$  is  $\mathcal{N}_{i-1}^j$ -modification of  $b_{i-1}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq 3$  for  $i \geq 1$ ,
- (5)  $f_i$  maps each compact set in  $|\mathcal{N}_i|_u$  onto a compact set in  $|\mathcal{N}_{i-1}|_u$  which is contained in a finite union of simplexes of  $\mathcal{N}_{i-1}$ ,
- (6)  $\mathcal{S}_i^0 \prec f_i^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_{i-1}^3)$  for  $i \geq 1$ ,
- (7)  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_i^k \prec f_i^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_{i-1}^{k+3})$  for  $k \geq 1$  and  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_i^k \prec f_i^{*-1}(\mathcal{S}_{i-1}^{k+3})$  for  $k \geq 4$ ,
- (8)  $\mathcal{V}_i \prec \mathcal{U}_i \wedge b_{i-1}^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_{i-1}^3) \wedge b_{i-2}^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_{i-2}^6) \wedge \cdots \wedge b_0^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_0^3)$ ,

where we regard  $|\mathcal{N}_i|_u$  as the uniform space with the uniform topology induced by the uniform base  $\{\mathcal{S}_i^j\}_{j=0}^\infty$ .

Further, we shall construct continuous (w.r.t. the Whitehead topology), uniformly continuous (w.r.t. the uniform topology) PL-maps  $g_i: |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}| \rightarrow |(\mathcal{N}_{i-1}^3)^{(n)}|$  such that

- (9) for each  $t \in |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|$ , there exist  $\sigma, \tau \in \mathcal{N}_{i-1}^2$  such that  $f_i(t) \in \sigma$ ,  $g_i(t) \in \tau$  and  $\sigma \cap \tau \neq \emptyset$ ,
- (10) for any map  $\alpha: |(\mathcal{N}_{i-1}^3)^{(n)}|_w \rightarrow K(G, n)$ , there exists an extension  $\beta: |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(G, n)$  of  $\alpha \circ g_i: |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_w \rightarrow |(\mathcal{N}_{i-1}^3)^{(n)}|_w \rightarrow K(G, n)$ ,
- (11) for each  $x \in |\mathcal{N}_i|$ ,  $g_i(\text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_i^2) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|)$  is a Whitehead (i.e. finite) compact polyhedral subset of  $|\mathcal{N}_{i-1}|$ .

Let us start the construction. We take an open refinement  $\mathcal{V}_0$  of  $\mathcal{U}_0$  in  $X$  whose nerve  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_0)$  is locally finite dimensional and  $\mathcal{V}_0$ -normal map  $b_0: X \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_0)|$ . We

define  $\mathcal{N}_0^j$  to be a subdivision of  $\text{Sd}_2 \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_0)$  for  $j = 0, 1, 2$  with  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_0^j \prec^* \mathcal{S}_0^{j-1}$ . By using [22, Proposition A.3], for the cover  $\mathcal{E}_0 \equiv \left\{ \text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_0^2) : x \in |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_0)| \right\}$ , we obtain an open cover  $\mathcal{B}_0$  of  $|\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_0)|$  and a PL,  $\mathcal{N}_0^2$ -modification  $r_0: |\mathcal{N}_0^2| \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0^2|$  of the identity such that

(12)<sub>0</sub>  $r_0(\text{Cl } B)$  is compact for  $B \in \mathcal{B}_0$ ,

(13)<sub>0</sub>  $\text{Cl } B \cup r_0(\text{Cl } B) \subseteq E$  for some  $E \in \mathcal{E}_0$ .

Since  $b_0$  is  $(G, n)$ -cohomological, from the similar argument to the proof of the necessity in Theorem 3.3 we can take the followings:

subdivision  $\mathcal{N}_0^3$  of  $\text{Sd}_2 \mathcal{N}_0^2$ , locally finite open cover  $\mathcal{V}_1$  of  $X$  and maps  $b_1: X \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_1)|$ ,  $f_1^*: |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_1)| \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0^3|$  such that

(14)<sub>1</sub>  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_0^3 \prec^* \mathcal{S}_0^2 \wedge \mathcal{B}_0$ ,

(15)<sub>1</sub>  $\mathcal{V}_1 \prec^* \mathcal{U}_1 \wedge b_0^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_0^3)$ ,

(16)<sub>1</sub>  $b_1$  is  $\mathcal{V}_1$ -normal,

(17)<sub>1</sub>  $f_1^* \circ b_1$  is  $\mathcal{N}_0^3$ -modification of  $b_0$ ,

(18)<sub>1</sub> for each  $\sigma \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_1)$ , there exists  $U \in \text{st } \mathcal{S}_0^3$  such that  $b_0(b_1^{-1}(\sigma)) \cup f_1^*(\sigma) \subseteq U$ ,

(19)<sub>1</sub> for any triangulation  $M$  of  $|\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_1)|$ , there exists a PL-map  $p': |M^{(n)}| \rightarrow |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}|$  such that

(i)  $(p', f_1^*|_{|M^{(n)}|}) \leq \{\text{st}(\lambda, \mathcal{N}_0^3) : \lambda \in \mathcal{N}_0^3\}$ ,

(ii) for any map  $\alpha: |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}| \rightarrow K(G, n)$ , there exists an extension  $\beta: |M^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(G, n)$  of  $\alpha \circ p'$ .

Let  $\mathcal{N}_0^{j+1}$  denote a subdivision of  $\text{Sd}_2 \mathcal{N}_0^j$  with  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_0^{j+1} \prec^* \mathcal{S}_0^j$  for  $j \geq 3$ .

Now, let  $|\mathcal{N}_0^3|_m$  denote  $|\mathcal{N}_0^3|$  with the metric topology [19, p301]. Then there is a  $\mathcal{N}_0^3$ -modification  $j_0: |\mathcal{N}_0^3|_m \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0^3|_w$  of the identity *function* [19, p302]. By the simplicial approximation theorem, we obtain a subdivision  $\mathcal{N}_1$  of  $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_1)$  and a simplicial approximation  $f_1: \mathcal{N}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{N}_0^3$  of  $j_0 \circ f_1^*$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}_1^0$  denote  $\mathcal{N}_1$ . Then by the simpliciality of  $f_1$  and (17)<sub>1</sub>, we have

(20)  $\mathcal{S}_1^0 \prec f_1^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_0^3)$ ,

(21)  $f_1 \circ b_1$  is  $\mathcal{N}_0^3$ -modification of  $b_0$ .

We take a subdivisions  $\mathcal{N}_1^{j+1}$  of  $\mathcal{N}_1^0$  for  $j = 0, 1$  such that

(22)  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^{j+1} \prec^* \mathcal{S}_1^j$  for  $j = 0, 1$ ,

(23)  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^j \prec f_1^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_0^{j+3})$  for  $j = 1, 2$ ,

(24)  $\mathcal{N}_1^j \prec \text{Sd}_2 \mathcal{N}_1^0$  for  $j = 1, 2$ .

By using Lemma [22, Proposition A.3], for the cover  $\mathcal{E}_1 \equiv \left\{ \text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^2) : x \in |\mathcal{N}_1| \right\}$ , we obtain an open cover  $\mathcal{B}_1$  of  $|\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_0)|$  and a PL,  $\mathcal{N}_1^2$ -modification  $r_1: |\mathcal{N}_1^2| \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_1^2|$  of the identity map such that

(12)<sub>1</sub>  $r_1(\text{Cl } B)$  is compact for  $B \in \mathcal{B}_1$ ,

(13)<sub>1</sub>  $\text{Cl } B \cup r_1(\text{Cl } B) \subseteq E$  for some  $E \in \mathcal{E}_1$ .

Since  $b_1$  is  $(G, n)$ -cohomological, from the similar argument to the proof of the necessity in Theorem 3.3 we can take the followings:

subdivision  $\mathcal{N}_1^3$  of  $\text{Sd}_2 \mathcal{N}_1^2$ , locally finite open cover  $\mathcal{V}_2$  of  $X$  and maps  $b_2: X \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_2)|$ ,  $f_2^*: |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_2)| \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_1^3|$  such that

$$(14)_2 \quad \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^3 \prec^* \mathcal{S}_1^2 \wedge \mathcal{B}_1 \wedge f_1^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_0^6),$$

$$(15)_2 \quad \mathcal{V}_2 \prec^* \mathcal{U}_2 \wedge b_1^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_1^3) \wedge b_0^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_0^6),$$

$$(16)_2 \quad b_2 \text{ is } \mathcal{V}_2\text{-normal},$$

$$(17)_2 \quad f_2^* \circ b_2 \text{ is } \mathcal{N}_1^3\text{-modification of } b_1,$$

$$(18)_2 \quad \text{for each } \sigma \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_2), \text{ there exists } U \in \text{st } \mathcal{S}_1^3 \text{ such that } b_1(b_2^{-1}(\sigma)) \cup f_2^*(\sigma) \subseteq U,$$

$$(19)_2 \quad \text{for any triangulation } M \text{ of } |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_2)|, \text{ there exists a PL-map } p': |M^{(n)}| \rightarrow |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \text{ such that}$$

$$(i) \quad (p', f_2^*|_{|M^{(n)}|}) \leq \{\bar{\text{st}}(\lambda, \mathcal{N}_1^3) : \lambda \in \mathcal{N}_0^3\},$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{for any map } \alpha: |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \rightarrow K(G, n), \text{ there exists an extension } \beta: |M^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(G, n) \text{ of } \alpha \circ p'.$$

Now, by using  $(19)_1$  about the triangulation  $\mathcal{N}_1^3$  of  $|\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_1)|$ , we obtain a PL-map  $g_1^*: |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \rightarrow |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}|$  such that

$$(25)_1 \quad (g_1^*, f_1^*|_{|(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}|}) \leq \{\bar{\text{st}}(\lambda, \mathcal{N}_0^3) : \lambda \in \mathcal{N}_0^3\},$$

$$(26)_1 \quad \text{for any map } \alpha: |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}| \rightarrow K(G, n), \text{ there exists an extension } \beta: |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(G, n) \text{ of } \alpha \circ g_1^*.$$

Consider the inclusion map  $i_0: |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}| \hookrightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0^3|$  and the composition

$$r_0 \circ i_0 \circ g_1^*: |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \rightarrow |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}| \hookrightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0^3| = |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_0)| \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{V}_0)|.$$

The image  $A$  of the PL-map  $r_0 \circ i_0 \circ g_1^*$  has dimension  $\leq n$ . Then we can take a  $\mathcal{N}_0^3$ -modification  $s_0: A \rightarrow |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}|$  of the inclusion map  $A \hookrightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0^3|$ . Let  $g_1: |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \rightarrow |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}|$  denote the composition map  $s_0 \circ r_0 \circ i_0 \circ g_1^*$ .

Then this has the following properties:

**Claim 1.**

$$(9)_1 \quad \text{for each } t \in |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}|, \text{ there exist } \sigma, \tau \in \mathcal{N}_0^2 \text{ such that } f_1(t) \in \sigma, g_1(t) \in \tau \text{ and } \sigma \cap \tau \neq \emptyset,$$

$$(10)_1 \quad \text{for any map } \alpha: |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}| \rightarrow K(G, n), \text{ there exist an extension } \beta: |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n+1)}| \rightarrow K(G, n) \text{ of } \alpha \circ g_1,$$

$$(11)_1 \quad \text{for each } x \in |\mathcal{N}_1|, g_1 \left( \text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^2) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \right) \text{ is a Whitehead (i.e. finite) compact polyhedral subset of } |\mathcal{N}_0|.$$

*Proof of Claim 1.* We show the property  $(9)_1$ . Let  $t \in |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}|$ . By  $(25)_1$ , there exist  $\sigma, \lambda, \tau \in \mathcal{N}_0^3$  such that  $f_1^*(t) \in \sigma$ ,  $g_1^*(t) \in \tau$  and  $\sigma \cap \lambda \neq \emptyset \neq \lambda \cap \tau$ . We may assume that  $\lambda = |v_0, v_1|$ ,  $v_0 \in \sigma$  and  $v_1 \in \tau$ .

Since  $j_0$  is  $\mathcal{N}_0^3$ -modification of the identity function, we have  $j_0 \circ f_1^*(t) \in \sigma$ . Since  $f_1$  is simplicial approximation of  $j_0 \circ f_1^*$ , we have  $f_1(t) \in \sigma$ .

Select  $\tilde{\tau} \in \mathcal{N}_0^2$  with  $\tau \subseteq \tilde{\tau}$ . Since  $r_0$  is  $\mathcal{N}_0^2$ -modification of the identity map, we have  $r_0 \circ i_0 \circ g_1^*(t) \in \tilde{\tau}$ . Further since  $s_0$  is  $\mathcal{N}_0^3$ -modification of  $A \hookrightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0^3|$  and  $\mathcal{N}_0^3 \prec \mathcal{N}_0^2$ , we have  $g_1(t) = s_0 \circ r_0 \circ i_0 \circ g_1^*(t) \in \tilde{\tau}$ .

*Case 1.*  $v_1 \in (\mathcal{N}_0^2)^{(0)}$  (i.e.  $v_1 \in \tilde{\tau}^{(0)}$ ).

By  $\mathcal{N}_0^3 \prec \text{Sd}_2 \mathcal{N}_0^2$ , we have  $v_0 \notin (\mathcal{N}_0^2)^{(0)}$ . Hence, there exists  $\gamma \in \mathcal{N}_0^2$  such that  $|v_0, v_1| \subseteq \gamma$  and  $v_0 \in \text{Int } \gamma$ . Then if  $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{N}_0^2$  with  $\sigma \subseteq \tilde{\sigma}$ , we have  $\gamma \prec \tilde{\sigma}$ . Therefore we have  $\tilde{\sigma} \cap \tilde{\tau} \neq \emptyset$ ,  $f_1(t) \in \tilde{\sigma}$  and  $g_1(t) \in \tilde{\tau}$ .

*Case 2.*  $v_1 \notin (\mathcal{N}_0^2)^{(0)}$ .

If  $v_0 \in (\mathcal{N}_0^2)^{(0)}$ , the proof is similar to Case 1. Let  $v_0 \notin (\mathcal{N}_0^2)^{(0)}$ . By  $\mathcal{N}_0^3 \prec \text{Sd}_2 \mathcal{N}_0^2$ , there exist  $\gamma_0, \gamma_1 \in \mathcal{N}_0^2$  such that  $v_0 \in \text{Int } \gamma_0$ ,  $v_1 \in \text{Int } \gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_0 \prec \gamma_1$  or  $\gamma_1 \prec \gamma_0$ . Then if  $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{N}_0^2$  with  $\sigma \subseteq \tilde{\sigma}$ , we have  $\gamma_0 \prec \tilde{\sigma}$ . Similarly, we have  $\gamma_1 \prec \tilde{\tau}$ . Therefore we have  $\tilde{\sigma} \cap \tilde{\tau} \neq \emptyset$ ,  $f_1(t) \in \tilde{\sigma}$  and  $g_1(t) \in \tilde{\tau}$ .

By  $g_1^* \simeq g_1$ , we can see the property (10)<sub>1</sub> by the homotopy extension theorem and (26)<sub>1</sub>.

We show the property (11)<sub>1</sub>. First, we shall see that

$$(27) \quad g_1^* \left( \text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^2) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \right) \subseteq B \text{ for some } B \in \mathcal{B}_0.$$

Let  $\text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^2)$  be represented by  $\bigcup \{ \bar{\text{st}}(v_\alpha, \mathcal{N}_1^2) : \alpha \in A \}$ . There exists  $\sigma_x \in \mathcal{N}_1^2$  with  $x \in \text{Int } \sigma_x$ .

For each  $\alpha \in A$ , we choose  $\sigma_\alpha \in \mathcal{N}_1^2$  such that  $\sigma_x \prec \sigma_\alpha$  and  $v_\alpha \in \sigma_\alpha$ . Further we select minimum and maximal dimensional simplexes  $\tau_x, \tau_\alpha \in \mathcal{N}_1^0$  with  $\tau_x \prec \tau_\alpha$  respectively such that  $\sigma_x \subseteq \tau_x$  and  $\sigma_\alpha \subseteq \tau_\alpha$ .

If  $\sigma_x \subseteq \text{Int } \tau_x$ , we have  $\bar{\text{st}}(v_\alpha, \mathcal{N}_1^2) \subseteq \tau_\alpha$  from  $v_\alpha \in \text{Int } \tau_\alpha$ . Then there exists a vertex  $v \in \mathcal{N}_1^2$  such that  $\bigcup_\alpha \tau_\alpha \subseteq \bar{\text{st}}(v, \mathcal{N}_1^0)$ . Since  $f_1$  is the simplicial map from  $\mathcal{N}_1^0$  to  $\mathcal{N}_0^3$ , we have  $f_1(\bigcup_\alpha \tau_\alpha) \subseteq f_1(\bar{\text{st}}(v, \mathcal{N}_1^0)) \subseteq \bar{\text{st}}(f_1(v), \mathcal{N}_0^3)$ . By the nearness between  $f_1$  and  $g_1^*$  (see proof of (9)<sub>1</sub>) and (14)<sub>1</sub>, we obtain

$$(28) \quad g_1^* \left( \text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^2) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \right) \subseteq \text{st} \left( \bar{\text{st}}(f_1(v), \mathcal{N}_0^3), \bar{\mathcal{S}}_0^3 \right) \subseteq B \text{ for some } B \in \mathcal{B}_0.$$

If  $\sigma_x \cap \partial \tau_x \neq \emptyset$  and  $\sigma_x \cap \text{Int } \tau_x \neq \emptyset$ , we choose a face  $\tilde{\tau}_x$  with  $\tilde{\tau}_x \not\prec \tau_x$  such that  $\sigma_x \cap \partial \tau_x \subseteq \tilde{\tau}_x$ . Then there exists a vertex  $v \in \tilde{\tau}_x$  such that  $\bigcup_\alpha \bar{\text{st}}(v_\alpha, \mathcal{N}_1^2) \subseteq \bar{\text{st}}(v, \mathcal{N}_1^0)$ . Hence we have (28) in the same way.

Since  $\text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^2) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}|$  is a subpolyhedron of  $|\mathcal{N}_1|$  and  $g_1^*$  is a PL-map, we see that  $g_1^* \left( \text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^2) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \right)$  is a subpolyhedron of  $|\mathcal{N}_0|$ . Then by (27) and (12)<sub>0</sub>,  $r_0 \circ i_0 \circ g_1^* \left( \text{st}(x, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^2) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}| \right)$  is a subpolyhedron of  $|\mathcal{N}_0|$  and a compact set of  $|\mathcal{N}_0|_w$ . Since  $s_0$  is a PL-map, we have see the property (11)<sub>1</sub>.

Now, we shall take a base for a uniformity for  $|\mathcal{N}_1|$ . We choose a subdivisions  $\mathcal{N}_1^j$  for  $j \geq 4$  of  $\mathcal{N}_1$  such that

$$(29) \quad \mathcal{N}_1^{j+1} \prec \text{Sd}_2 \mathcal{N}_1^j \text{ for } j \geq 3,$$

$$(30) \quad \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^{j+1} \prec^* \mathcal{S}_1^j \text{ for } j \geq 3,$$

$$(31) \quad \bar{\mathcal{S}}_1^{j+1} \prec f_1^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_0^{j+4}) \wedge f_1^{*-1}(\mathcal{S}_0^{j+4}) \wedge \mathcal{F}_1^{j+4} \text{ for } j \geq 3,$$

where  $\mathcal{F}_1^{j+4}$  is defined as follows.  $g_1^{-1}(\mathcal{S}_0^{j+4} \cap |(\mathcal{N}_0^3)^{(n)}|)$  is the open cover of  $|(\mathcal{N}_1^3)^{(n)}|_w$ . Extend it to an open cover  $\mathcal{F}_1^{j+4}$  of  $|\mathcal{N}_1|_w$ . Then clearly the uniformity make  $f_1$ ,  $f_1^*$  and  $g_1$  uniformly continuous.

We shall show that  $f_1$  holds the property (5). First, note that the composition

$$j_0 \circ id \circ f_1^*: |\mathcal{N}_1|_u \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0|_u \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0|_m \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0|_w,$$

where  $id: |\mathcal{N}_0|_u \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_0|_m$  is the identity map, is continuous.

Let  $K$  be a compact set of  $|\mathcal{N}_1|_u$ . There exist  $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_l \in \mathcal{N}_0$  such that  $j_0 \circ f_1^*(K) = j_0 \circ id \circ f_1^*(K) \subseteq \sigma_1 \cup \dots \cup \sigma_l$ . Since  $f_1$  is a simplicial approximation of  $j_0 \circ f_1^*$ , we have  $f_1(K) \subseteq \sigma_1 \cup \dots \cup \sigma_l$ . By the continuity of  $f_1$ ,  $f_1(K)$  is a compact set of  $|\mathcal{N}_0|_u$ .

As we proceed in this work, we have  $\mathcal{V}_i$ ,  $f_i^*$ ,  $f_i$ ,  $\mathcal{N}_i^j$  and  $g_i$  with the properties (1)-(11).

From now on, we consider  $X$  to be the uniform space with the uniformity generated by the sequence  $\{\mathcal{V}_i\}_{i=0}^\infty$  of open covers of  $X$  and  $|\mathcal{N}_i|$  to be the uniform space with the uniformity generated by the sequence  $\{\mathcal{S}_i^j\}_{j=0}^\infty$ . Then by the construction, the topology induced by  $\{\mathcal{V}_i\}_{i=0}^\infty$  and the original metric topology are identical.

We shall construct the resolution of  $X$ . The construction essentially depends on Rubin's way [22]. Hence, the detail is omitted here.

For  $j \geq 0$ , let  $f_{j,j}$  denote the identity on  $\mathcal{N}_j$  and let  $f_{i,j}$  denote the composition  $f_{j+1} \circ \dots \circ f_i: |\mathcal{N}_i| \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_j|$  for  $i > j$ .

The functions

$$b_i: (X, \{\mathcal{V}_i\}_{i=0}^\infty) \rightarrow (|\mathcal{N}_i|, \{\mathcal{S}_i^j\}_{j=0}^\infty)$$

and

$$f_{i+1,i}: (|\mathcal{N}_{i+1}|, \{\mathcal{S}_{i+1}^j\}_{j=0}^\infty) \rightarrow (|\mathcal{N}_i|, \{\mathcal{S}_i^j\}_{j=0}^\infty)$$

are uniformly continuous for  $i \geq 0$ . Then since the sequence  $\{f_{i,j} \circ b_i\}_{i=j}^\infty$  is Cauchy in the uniform space  $C(X, |\mathcal{N}_j|_u)$  with the uniformity of uniform convergence, we have a uniformly continuous, limit map

$$f_{\infty,j} \equiv \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} f_{q,j} \circ b_q: (X, \{\mathcal{V}_i\}_{i=0}^\infty) \rightarrow (|\mathcal{N}_j|, \{\mathcal{S}_j^i\}_{i=0}^\infty),$$

such that

$$(32) \quad f_{\infty,j} \text{ is } \mathcal{N}_j^3\text{-modification of } b_j,$$

$$(33) \quad (f_{\infty,j}, b_j) \leq \mathcal{S}_j^1,$$

$$(34) \quad f_{\infty,j} \text{ is a topological irreducible (i.e. surjective) map relative to } \mathcal{N}_j^3,$$

$$(35) \quad f_{i+1,i} \circ f_{\infty,i+1} = f_{\infty,i} \text{ for } i \geq 0.$$



We consider  $\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} |\mathcal{N}_i|_u$  to be the uniform space by the product uniformity. Note that  $\varprojlim \{|\mathcal{N}_j|_u, f_{i+1,i}\}$  is a non-empty subspace by the property (34).

Then by (35), there exist a uniformly continuous map  $f_{\omega}: X \rightarrow \varprojlim |\mathcal{N}_i|_u$  with  $f_{\infty,i} = pr_i \circ f_{\omega}$  and especially the map  $f_{\omega}$  is a uniformly embedding onto a dense subset  $f_{\omega}(X)$  in  $\varprojlim |\mathcal{N}_i|_u$ , where  $pr_i: \prod_{j=0}^{\infty} |\mathcal{N}_j|_u \rightarrow |\mathcal{N}_i|_u$  is the natural projection.

Let  $Z$  denote the limit of the inverse sequence  $\{ |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_u, g_{i+1,i} \}$ . Then we consider  $Z$  to be the sub-uniform space of the uniform space  $\prod_{i=0}^{\infty} |\mathcal{N}_i|_u$ . Note that  $Z$  has dimension  $\leq n$ .

We begin with a description of the map  $\pi$ . For  $j \geq 0$ , a uniformly continuous map  $\pi_j: Z \rightarrow \prod_{i=0}^{\infty} |\mathcal{N}_i|_u$  is defined by

$$\pi_j(\mathbf{z}) \equiv (f_{j,0}(z_j), f_{j,1}(z_j), \dots, f_{j,j-1}(z_j), z_j, z_{j+1}, \dots)$$

for  $\mathbf{z} = (z_j) \in Z$  and let  $\pi_0$  be the inclusion map. Then since the sequence  $\{\pi_j\}_{j=0}^{\infty}$  is Cauchy in  $C(Z, \prod_{i=0}^{\infty} |\mathcal{N}_i|_u)$ , there is a uniformly continuous, limit map  $\pi: Z \rightarrow \prod_{i=0}^{\infty} |\mathcal{N}_i|_u$ . Then the map  $\pi$  is proper from  $Z$  onto  $\varprojlim \{|\mathcal{N}_i|_u, f_{i+1,i}\}$ . We must show that  $\pi^{-1}(\mathbf{x})$  is a  $UV^{n-1}$ -set and the set  $[\pi^{-1}(\mathbf{x}), K(G, n)]$  is trivial for  $\mathbf{x} \in \varprojlim \{|\mathcal{N}_i|_u, f_{i+1,i}\}$ .

For  $\mathbf{x} = (x_i) \in \varprojlim \{|\mathcal{N}_i|_u, f_{i+1,i}\}$ , let  $\delta N(x_i)$  and  $\varepsilon N(x_i)$  denote  $\text{st}(x_i, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_i^0)$  and  $\text{st}(x_i, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_i^2)$ , respectively. Then we have the following properties [22]: for  $\mathbf{x} = (x_i) \in \varprojlim \{|\mathcal{N}_i|_u, f_{i+1,i}\}$ ,

$$(36) \quad g_{i,i-1}(\delta N(x_i) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|) \subseteq \varepsilon N(x_{i-1}),$$

$$(37) \quad \varprojlim \{ \varepsilon N(x_i) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|, g_{i,i-1} | \dots \} = \pi^{-1}(\mathbf{x}) = \varprojlim \{ \delta N(x_i) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|, g_{i,i-1} | \dots \}$$

By  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_i^2 \prec^* \mathcal{S}_i^1$ , there exists  $F_i \in \mathcal{S}_i^1$  such that  $\text{st}(x_i, \bar{\mathcal{S}}_i^2) \subseteq F_i$ . Further, by  $\mathcal{S}_i^1 \prec \mathcal{S}_i^0$ , there is a  $S \in \mathcal{S}_i^0$  such that  $F_i \subseteq S$ . Hence we have the contractible set  $F_i$  such that

$$(38) \quad \varepsilon N(x_i) \subseteq F_i \subseteq \delta N(x_i).$$

**Claim 2.**  $\pi^{-1}(\mathbf{x})$  is a  $UV^{n-1}$ -set for  $\mathbf{x} = (x_i) \in \varprojlim \{|\mathcal{N}_i|_u, f_{i+1,i}\}$ .

*Proof of Claim 2.* It suffices to show that the map

$$g_{i+1,i} | \dots : \delta N(x_{i+1}) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_{i+1}^3)^{(n)}| \rightarrow \delta N(x_i) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|$$

induces a zero homomorphism of homotopy group of dimension less than  $n$ . By (36) and (38), we have

$$g_{i+1,i} \left( \delta N(x_{i+1}) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_{i+1}^3)^{(n)}| \right) \subseteq F_i \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}| \subseteq \delta N(x_i) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|.$$

Since  $F_i$  is contractible, we have

$$\pi_k \left( F_i \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}| \right) = 0 \quad \text{for } k < n.$$

Therefore  $g_{i+1,i} | \dots$  induces a zero homomorphism of homotopy group of dimension less than  $n$ .

**Claim 3.**  $[\pi^{-1}(\mathbf{x}), K(G, n)] \approx \check{H}^n(\pi^{-1}(\mathbf{x}); G)$  is trivial for  $\mathbf{x} \in \varprojlim \{|\mathcal{N}_i|_u, f_{i+1,i}\}$ .

*Proof of Claim 3.* By (11),(36),(37) and the continuity of Čech cohomology, we have

$$\check{H}^n(\pi^{-1}(\mathbf{x}); G) \approx \varinjlim \left\{ H^n \left( g_{i,i-1}(\varepsilon N(x_i) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_u); G \right), g_{i,i-1}|_{\dots}^* \right\}.$$

Hence it suffices to show that

$$g_{i,i-1}|_{\dots}^* : H^n \left( g_{i,i-1}(\varepsilon N(x_i) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_u); G \right) \rightarrow H^n \left( g_{i+1,i}(\varepsilon N(x_{i+1}) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_{i+1}^3)^{(n)}|_u); G \right)$$

is the zero homomorphism.

Let  $G_{i,i-1}$  denotes  $g_{i,i-1}(\varepsilon N(x_i) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_u)$ . Then by (11) the subspace  $G_{i,i-1}$  of  $|(\mathcal{N}_{i-1}^3)^{(n)}|_u$  and the subspace  $G_{i,i-1}$  of  $|(\mathcal{N}_{i-1}^3)^{(n)}|_w$  is identical. Hence from now on, we may consider that  $G_{i,i-1}$  is the subspace of  $|(\mathcal{N}_{i-1}^3)^{(n)}|_w$ .

Let  $[\alpha] \in [G_{i,i-1}, K(G, n)]$ . Then from  $\pi_q(K(G, n)) = 0$  for  $q < n$ , there exists an extension  $\tilde{\alpha}: |(\mathcal{N}_{i-1}^3)^{(n)}|_w \rightarrow K(G, n)$  of  $\alpha$ . By (10), we have an extension  $\beta: |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n+1)}|_w \rightarrow K(G, n)$  of  $\tilde{\alpha} \circ g_{i,i-1}|_{G_{i+1,i}}$ .

Since  $F_i$  is the contractible set,  $F_i \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_w$  is contractible in  $F_i \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n+1)}|_w$ . Hence, there exists a homotopy  $H: (F_i \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_w) \times I \rightarrow F_i \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n+1)}|_w$  such that  $H_0$  is the inclusion map and  $H_1$  is a constant map. Since  $G_{i+1,i} \subseteq \varepsilon N(x_i) \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_w \subseteq F_i \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_w$ , we can define the following compositions:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H} \equiv \beta \circ i_2 \circ H \circ i_1 : G_{i+1,i} \times I &\hookrightarrow (F_i \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n)}|_w) \times I \rightarrow F_i \cap |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n+1)}|_w \\ &\hookrightarrow |(\mathcal{N}_i^3)^{(n+1)}|_w \rightarrow K(G, n), \end{aligned}$$

where  $i_1$  and  $i_2$  are the inclusion maps.

Then we have  $\tilde{H}_0 = \beta|_{G_{i+1,i}} = \alpha \circ g_{i,i-1}|_{G_{i+1,i}}$  and  $\tilde{H}_1 =$  a constant. It completes the proof of Claim 3. Then the map

$$\pi_X \equiv \pi|_{\pi^{-1}(X)} : \pi^{-1}(X) \rightarrow X$$

is a desired one for Theorem.  $\square$

**5.2. Corollary.** Let  $X$  be a metrizable space having cohomological dimension with respect to  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  of less than and equal to  $n$ . Then there exist an  $n$ -dimensional metrizable space  $Z$  and a perfect  $UV^{n-1}$ -surjection  $\pi: Z \rightarrow X$  such that for  $x \in X$ , the set  $[\pi^{-1}(x), K(\mathbf{Z}_p, n)]$  of homotopy classes is trivial.

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